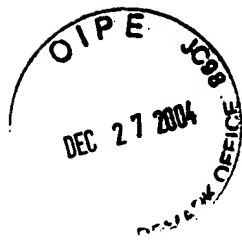


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In re the Application of: HIROAKI ONISHI ET AL. Serial No.: 09/786,680 Filed: March 8, 2001 For: IMAGE READING APPARATUS	 Art Unit: 2622 Examiner: LEE, CHEUKFAN
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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A petition for a three-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith. Any additional fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 50-1390.

Amendments to the Specification: .

Amendments to the Claims: reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: None.

Remarks: begin on page 9 of this paper